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1. On 21 August Soviet forces in the Port Arthur-Dairen area were as follows:
 - a. Army: 3 infantry divisions, 1 artillery regiment, 2 armored divisions with 600 tanks, 1 anti-aircraft brigade, and 1 paratroop brigade.¹
 - b. Air: 350 navy and airforce planes.
 - c. Navy: A destroyer squadron of "mixed" fleet based at Vladivostok comprising 10 German Na-wei-k'o (那維克)-type² destroyers under Kan-na-wei-ch'i (堪那維基), commander-in-chief of the Port Arthur-Dairen area.³

2. The Soviet Far Eastern Military Area Command has recently sent a large quantity of arms and ammunition from Port Arthur and Dairen to Korea via Antung. The South Korean railroad⁴ and the Mukden-Antung railroad have been congested because of this heavy traffic. The ammunition included 260,000 rounds of 155mm artillery shells which are now stored in underground warehouses at Pyongyang, Wonsan, Shunhua (順化)⁵, and Hamhung.

1. [REDACTED] Comment. This is a reduction in strength from forces reported there in late July [REDACTED].
2. [REDACTED] Comment. Possibly Narvik-type destroyers.
3. [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] reported that Kanovich was in charge of the Port Arthur-Dairen area and Karmanovskii as naval commander.
4. [REDACTED] Comment. Possibly an error for railroads in South Manchuria.
5. [REDACTED] Comment. Possibly Sunch'on (順川).

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